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United States District Court
Southern District of California
(Honorable Nita L. Stormes)

United States of America,
Plaintiff,

vs.

MATTHEW CHARLES KENNEDY, et. al.
Defendants

) Criminal Case No.: 08CR0650JM
) Magistrate Case No.: 08MJ0569

) **DECLARATION OF PEDRO SANTOS-
PERALTA IN SUPPORT OF MATERIAL
WITNESS MOTION FOR A VIDEOTAPE
DEPOSITION**

) **DATE: April 24, 2008**
) **TIME: 9:30 am**
) **HON.: Magistrate Judge Nita
Stormes**

I, Pedro Santos-Peralta, declare as follows:

1. My name is Pedro Santos-Peralta, I am a Material
Witness in the above-captioned matter.

2. I have been held in custody since February 25, 2008
although there are no charges filed against me. I am requesting
that I be released from custody and allowed to return home to my
family in Mexico.

3. I am more than willing to discuss everything I know
about this case with both defense and government investigators.

1 The fact is, however, there are only a few facts relevant to
2 this case which the Material Witnesses are competent to testify:
3 i.e. (a) their citizenship, (b) who might have transported the
4 witnesses, and (c) whether the witnesses agreed to pay anyone.
5 According to preliminary interviews, all of the facts relevant
6 to this case in the Material Witnesses' knowledge took place
7 over a very short period of time.
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9 4. I have elderly parents in Mexico and my father is very
10 ill with diabetes and cannot work. I am the sole support of he
11 and my mother as well as my immediate family.
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13 5. I have two young children (1 and 4) at home in Mexico
14 and it is important for me to return home to them and my wife as
15 well as my parents as there is no one else to assist with their
16 care and support.
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18 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing
19 is true and correct and that this declaration was executed in
20 San Diego, California on April 15, 2008.
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24 Dated this [Date] 4/15/08
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26 Pedro Santos Peralta
27 Pedro Santos-Peralta
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